

Milford

Connecticut

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Belongs to
New Haven County
Bridgeport Labor Market Area
South Central Economic Dev. Region
South Central Connecticut Planning Area

Incorporated in 1639

Demographics

				<i>Race/Ethnicity (1998)</i>			
<i>Population (1998)</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>	White	<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>
1980	50,898	761,337	3,107,580	Black	46,550	627,554	2,648,212
1990	49,938	804,219	3,287,116	Asian Pacific	886	82,801	274,213
1998	49,844	790,961	3,271,239	Native American	791	2,378	73,304
2003	49,778	784,332	3,272,149	Other	76	1,358	5,952
'98-'03 Growth	-0.13%	-0.84%	0.03%	Hispanic (any race)	54	1,278	5,336
					1,487	63,019	264,222
Land Area (sq. miles)	22.57	605.79	4,845	<i>Poverty Rate (1990)</i>	3.72%	7.86%	6.61%
Pop./ Sq. Mile (1998)	2,208.42	1,305.67	653	<i>Educational Attainment (1990)</i>			
Per Capita Inc. (1998)	\$24,978	\$23,237	\$27,078	Persons Age 25 or Older	<i>Town</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>State</i>
Households (1998)	18,837	299,905	1,229,087	High School Graduate	12,045	35.0%	648,366
Median Age (1997)	38.9	36.9	37.2	Some College	8,135	23.6%	495,696
				Bachelors or More	8,065	23.4%	597,693
<i>Age Distribution (1998)</i>							
	<i>0-4</i>	<i>5-17</i>	<i>18-24</i>	<i>25-49</i>	<i>50-64</i>	<i>65+</i>	<i>Total</i>
Male	1,539 6%	4,140 17%	1,926 8%	9,704 40%	3,904 16%	3,070 13%	24,283
Female	1,502 6%	3,861 15%	1,745 7%	9,669 38%	4,243 17%	4,541 18%	25,561
County Total	52,870 7%	133,675 17%	69,164 9%	300,354 38%	114,260 14%	120,638 15%	790,961
State Total	216,119 7%	550,400 17%	280,101 9%	1,257,928 38%	499,093 15%	467,598 14%	3,271,239

Economics

<i>Business Profile (1997)</i>					<i>Top Five Grand List (1997)</i>		
<i>Sector</i>	<i>Firms</i>	<i>% of Total</i>	<i>Emp.</i>	<i>% of Total</i>	<i>Amount</i>		<i>% of Total</i>
Agriculture	53	1.7%	162	0.5%	Connecticut Light & Power Company	\$101,900,850	3.98%
Const. and Mining	480	15.4%	1,728	5.4%	Connecticut Post	\$62,273,430	2.43%
Manufacturing	268	8.6%	5,818	18.1%	Bic Pen Corporation	\$42,038,020	1.64%
Trans. And Utilities	91	2.9%	1,362	4.2%	Corp. Campus/Equitable	\$40,713,120	1.59%
Trade	851	27.4%	11,110	34.5%	Warner-Lambert (Shick)	\$34,137,960	1.33%
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	175	5.6%	1,501	4.7%	Grand List Total (1996)	\$2,560,288,486	
Services	1,174	37.8%	9,905	30.7%	<i>Top Five Major Employers (1997)</i>		
Government	15	0.5%	637	2.0%	Claricom	Subway World	
Total	3,107	100.0%	32,223	100.0%	BIC Corporation	Hubbel Corporation	
					Warner-Lambert Shick Division		
						<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
					<i>Retail Sales (1996)</i>	\$621,601,423	\$30,837,967,729

Education

<i>1995-1996 School Year</i>				<i>Connecticut Mastery Test Percent Above Goal</i>					
		<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	Grade 4		Grade 6		Grade 8	
				<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
Total Students		3,328	461,203	Reading	59 55	67 60	71 64		
Total Expenditures Per Pupil		\$8,175	\$8,300	Math	66 59	54 52	44 51		
Average Teacher's Salary		\$46,856	\$48,598	Writing	50 46	48 46	56 51		
Students Attending Public School		84.0%	89.2%						
Student/Teacher Ratio		15.2	14.5						
Grads Pursuing Post-Sec. Education		77.5%	75.8%						
High School Dropout Rate		3.3%	4.6%						
<i>Average Class Size</i>				<i>Average SAT Score</i>		<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>		
Kindergarten 19.5	Grade 2 19.3			Verbal		471	503		
Grade 5 21.5	Grade 7 24.3	High School 20.4		Math		503	499		

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Government

Government Form	Mayor-Board of Aldermen	Annual Debt Service (1996)	\$7,672,395
		As % of Expenditures	7.7%
Total Revenue (1996)	\$110,417,107	Equalized Grand List (1996)	\$4,303,659,184
Tax Revenue	\$86,360,949	Per Capita	\$87,810
Non-tax Revenue	\$5,693,915	As % of State Average	112.6%
Intergovernmental	\$18,362,243	Date of Last Revaluation	10/ 1/91
Per Capita Tax (1996)	\$1,671	Moody's Bond Rating (1997)	Aa2
As % of State Average	117.4%	Actual Mill Rate (1997)	30.78
		Equalized Mill Rate (1996)	20.24
		% of Grand List Com/Ind (1995)	21.6%
Total Expenditures (1996)	\$100,274,948		
Education	\$56,695,870		
Other	\$43,579,078		
Total Indebtness (1996)	\$49,510,694		
As % of Expenditures	49.4%		
Per Capita	\$1,010		
As % of State Average	97.1%		

Housing

Housing Stock (1997)	Town	County	State	Sales Price Distribution (1996)	Town	County	State
Existing Units (total)	21,474	339,524	1,374,566	Number of Sales			
% Single Unit	76.4%	57.8%	62.9%	Less than \$100,000	279	6,241	22,254
New Permits Auth. (1997)	197	2,030	9,349	\$100,001-\$200,000	614	4,654	20,713
As % Existing Units	0.92%	0.60%	0.68%	\$200,001-\$300,000	132	1,188	6,600
Demolitions (1997)	5	296	1,193	\$300,001-\$400,000	19	262	2,730
Residential Sales (1996)	1,059	12,512	56,333	\$400,001 or More	15	167	4,036
Average Price	\$144,924	\$136,734	\$194,596	1996 Characteristics			
Median Price	\$135,000	\$122,000	\$138,000	Owner Occupied Dwellings	14,358	191,583	807,559
				Housing Stock Age - Pre-1950	37.1%	36.0%	33.9%
				Subsidized Housing Units	979	42,124	148,930

Labor Force

1997	Town	County	State	Commuters (1990)			
Labor Force	26,225	414,075	1,723,300	Commuters into Town from	Town Residents	Commuting to	
Employed	24,942	391,311	1,635,400	1. Milford	9208	Milford	9208
Unemployed	1,283	22,764	87,900	2. West Haven	2394	Stratford	2853
Unemployment Rate	4.9%	5.5%	5.1%	3. Bridgeport	1901	Bridgeport	2708
Total Employment	30,080	354,930	1,581,700	4. New Haven	1674	New Haven	1656
Manufacturing	5,820	60,020	265,850	5. Stratford	1299	Orange	874
'92-'97 Growth Rate	11.2%	3.5%	4.3%	6. Orange	984	Fairfield	866
Daytime Population	30,054	371,178	1,740,247	7. Shelton	883	Norwalk	850
				8. Hamden	541	Stamford	846
				9. East Haven	474	West Haven	738
				10. Trumbull	471	Shelton	651

Quality of Life

Town	State	Library (1996-1997)	Town	Residential Utilities	
Banks (1997)	15	1,378	Total Volumes	147,635	Electric Provider
Lodging (1997)	15	756	Circulation Per Capita	5.1	United Illuminating
Day Care Facilities (1998)	22	1,651			1-800-257-0141
Infant Mortality Rate			Distance to Major Cities	Miles	Gas Provider
Per 1,000 Res. (1995)	1.431	0.099	Hartford	42	Southern Connecticut Gas Company
Crime Rate (1996)			Boston	130	203-382-8111
Per 1,000 Residents	46.6	40	New York City	61	Water Provider
% Open Land (1990)	32.2%	68.8%	Providence	94	South Central Regional Water Authority
					203-562-4020
Hospitals (1997)	1	7			Cable Provider
Total Beds	106	2,462			Cablevision Systems of Southern CT
					203-336-2225